OPINION 1669

Dalla Mabille, 1904 (Insecta, Lepidoptera): conserved

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers the generic name *Eumesia* Felder & Felder, [1867] is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy.

(2) The name *Dalla* Mabille, 1904 (gender: feminine), type species by subsequent designation by Lindsey (1921) *Cyclopides eryonas* Hewitson, 1877, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *eryonas* Hewitson, 1877, as published in the binomen *Cyclopides eryonas* (specific name of the type species of *Dalla* Mabille, 1904), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(4) The name *Eumesia* Felder & Felder, [1867], as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology.

(5) The name EUMESIIDAE (type genus *Eumesia* Felder & Felder, [1867]) (name of the type genus suppressed in (1) above) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Family-Group Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2720

An application for the conservation of the name *Dalla* Mabille, 1904 was received from Drs Stephen R. Steinhauser, Lee D. Miller & Jacqueline Y. Miller (*Allyn Museum of Entomology, Sarasota, Florida, U.S.A.*) and Charles A. Bridges (*Urbana, Illinois, U.S.A.*) on 29 March 1989. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 47: 184–186 (September 1990). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals. No comments were received. It was noted on the voting paper that approximately 120 nominal taxa (species and subspecies) are currently placed in the genus which, with the exceptions noted in the application, has always been called *Dalla*.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 1991 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the 'proposals published in BZN 47: 185–186. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 1991 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 25: Bayer, Bock, Cocks, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes — 1: Thompson.

No vote was received from Cogger.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists and Official Indexes by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Dalla Mabille, 1904, Genera Insectorum; 17: 107.

eryonas, Cyclopides, Hewitson, 1877, Annals and Magazine of Natural History, (4)20: 325.

Eumesia Felder & Felder, [1867], Reise der Österreichischen Fregatte 'Novara' um die Erde, p. 504.

EUMESIIDAE Felder & Felder, [1867], Reise der Österreichischen Fregatte 'Novara' um die Erde, p. 504.

The following is the reference for the designation of *Cyclopides eryonas* Hewitson, 1877 as the type species of the nominal genus *Dalla* Mabille, 1904: Lindsey, A.W. 1921. *University of Iowa Studies in Natural History*, **9**(4): 58.